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Local Government for Langton Green, Speldhurst, Ashurst and Old Groombridge

**Minutes of a Parish Vision Committee Meeting held in the Committee Room, Ashurst
Village Hall on Friday 12th November 2010 at 10am**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Cllrs Mrs Podbury (Chairman), Mrs Soyke, Langridge, and Mrs L Dollimore, and Mrs A Norton

OFFICER PRESENT: Chris May – Clerk

1. **Apologies for Absence:** Cllr Pendleton (business appointment) Mr J Syers (previous engagement)
2. **Declarations of Personal and Prejudicial Interest:** None received
3. **Declarations of Lobbying:** None received
4. **Minutes** of the meeting dated **5th August 2010**, copies having previously been forwarded to Members, were approved and signed with the following deletion (or small percentage) under Matters Arising.
5. **Matters Arising**
There were a number of issues arising from the previous minutes; The analysis of the survey by village needed to be on the new website along with a list of aims and objectives. The recycling facilities also needed to be uploaded. The clerk had been in contact with Withyham Parish Council and they had discussions of mutual benefit on traffic issues. The cheque of £1,250 had been received from ACRK in compensation for the loss of the questionnaires.
6. **Public Open Session**
There were no members of the public present.
7. **Review of the Project to date**
Cllr Mrs Podbury said that all the objectives of the Parish Vision project had been achieved and she gave a big thank you to all members of the committee for all the hard work that had taken place over the last year or so.
She advised the committee that there had been contact with TWBC Officers and John Davies KCC member and these would be followed up.
She went through the list of the Action Plan (an internal document highlighting issues that needed attention with priorities and timescales) and there had been an omission of some highways issues. She said that there had been three new committees that would deal with some of the topics raised by the project: Highways, Amenities and Environment. It was agreed that some of the issues would be re-designated.
It was also agreed that a feed in to the columns of the Courier would keep residents updated.

8. Review of the Terms of Reference

It was **AGREED** that the Chairman's term of office would be two years and that a new TOR would be circulated to the committee for approval and then recommended to Full Council for approval at the December meeting.

9. Next Steps

The committee summarised the actions to be taken: Copies of Parish Council road signs (requesting traffic to think of their speed) would be sent By Cllr Langridge and Mrs Norton to Cllr Mrs Soyke who would take the issue further with TWBC.

Mrs Norton will monitor and record road accidents on Groombridge Hill.

Cllr Mrs Podbury and Langridge would look in to the public transport issue.

Cllr Mrs Soyke and Mrs Dollimore would investigate ways of disposing of batteries and dangerous aerosols.

The clerk would continue to push Highways matters

Cllr Langridge would contact the owner of a tennis court in Great Footway.

10. Items for Information

There were none

The meeting closed at 11.27am

Chairman